

THE APPOINTMENTS.

CLOSING SESSION OF THE VIRGINIA
METHODIST CONFERENCE.

THE CHANGES OF STATIONS.

Routine Business the Last Day—The
Report of the Board of Education—
A Long Discussion—Interesting
Statistics.

DANVILLE, VA., November 25.—(Special.)—The only session day of the 15th annual conference of the Southern Virginia Methodists was to-day. The session came to a close with the announcement of the appointments to-night. At the morning session Rev. J. C. Watts conducted the devotional exercises, and then the final report of the Board of Education was submitted by Professor A. M. Huggins. The report gave numerous facts and figures in connection with the educational institutions and interests in the care of conference. One suggestion of the report worthy of mention is that the Legislature be urged to require school teachers to give an equal showing or a preference to college graduates in the choice of public school teachers.

The report asks the presiding elders to preach one sermon to each charge of their districts on the subject of "Christian Education." The statistics presented by the report show that the Randolph-Macon system has a total property value of \$85,000. Randolph-Macon College has an endowment of \$125,000, and Randolph-Macon Woman's College an endowment of \$100,000. There are 494 students in the several schools.

THE TROUBLE.
It was declared that there is much indifference among the people toward the church colleges, and great difficulty in securing the educational collection.

Mr. Cannon said that the present condition of things was due to the cheap instruction offered by State schools. He believed that the church schools, as things were now going on, and he hoped that the leading denominations of the State would combine to prevent this.

Two hours were consumed in discussing the report, which was finally adopted.

BISHOP CAMPBELL'S REPORT.
Resolutions were highly complimentary to Bishop N. P. Fitzpatrick, the presiding elder, were read by Rev. A. C. Smith, D. D., these having been prepared by Rev. D. A. Garland and A. G. Brown. The resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote, and the Bishop returned a graceful acknowledgment.

Rev. B. B. Betty submitted the report of missionary appropriations for the current year, showing that \$10,000 will be devoted to this cause. At 12 o'clock business was suspended, and a special Thanksgiving service was held, the time until the hour of adjournment—1 o'clock.

STATISTICS.
During the morning session the following interesting statistics were read: During the past year there was raised in conference territory for all purposes, \$48,286, which is an increase over the previous year of \$2,823. The net increase in membership for the year was 1,577.

To-night it was expected that the appointments would be read at 9 o'clock, but in the meeting of the Bishop's Cabinet there was a hitch, and it was 9:30 before the Bishop reached the church. The Bishop was accompanied by the records and the long-looked-for appointments were announced, as follows:

THE APPOINTMENTS.
RICHMOND DISTRICT, A. G. BROWN, PRESIDENT.

Richmond—Broad-Street, W. G. Starr; Trinity and Chickahominy Mission, J. T. Martin; Union-Station, G. C. Vanderpool; St. James—W. B. Beauchamp; Denny-Street, S. C. Hatcher; Fairmont-Avenue, R. B. Beadles; Manchester-Central, W. W. Lear; Fifth-Street, C. H. McFadden; West-End Memorial and Asbury, N. T. Williams; South—H. J. Brown.

Charles City—W. E. Moore. New Kent—E. A. Potts.

West Point—W. E. Ballard. West Chesterfield—W. C. Edwards.

Gloster—J. E. Potts and E. J. Potts. Gloucester Point—A. Driscoll.

Williamsburg—J. N. Lachman. York—J. S. Wallace.

Newport News—Chester-Street, B. F. Lipscomb.

General Superintendent of Colportage—A. G. Brown.

Professor in Emory and Henry College—James H. Moss.

WEST RICHMOND DISTRICT, PAUL WHITEHEAD, PRESIDENT.

Richmond—Centenary, W. V. Tudor and E. L. Pell; Clay-Street, E. H. Rawlings; Park-Park, T. N. Bennett; Gloucester—W. R. Crowder; Asbury, B. M. Beckham.

Highland-Park—C. H. Boggs. Barton-Heights—J. Sidney Peters.

Hanover—R. B. Scott. King William—W. H. Hardy.

Ashtand—W. H. Atwell. Ashland Circuit—R. H. Marks.

Mane-Hanover—S. W. Day. Carroll—J. G. Lennon.

Goodland—E. E. Johnson. West Goodland and East Louis Mission—J. E. McSparran and one to be supplied by W. D. Mower.

Cartersville—W. F. Davis. Chesterfield—C. A. Bortyman.

West Chesterfield—W. H. Riddick. South Chesterfield—T. W. Williams.

Richmond—T. Burton. RAPPANNOCK DISTRICT, C. E. WATTS, PRESIDENT.

White Stone—J. W. S. Robbins. Lancaster—B. E. Ledbetter.

Heathsville—C. R. James. Bethany—J. M. Burton.

Richmond Circuit—S. B. Eaton and W. H. Walton.

Westmoreland—D. F. Parker. Montross—F. B. McSparran.

King George—T. J. Wray. Spotsylvania—C. H. Williams.

Bowling Green—W. F. Hayes. Essex—W. B. Jett.

Queen and Queen—E. E. Bentley. Middlesex—J. M. Anderson.

West Matthews—J. L. Pribb. Matthews—J. E. Deshaize and Frank Burroughs.

Principal Southern Seminary and Conservatory of Music, Bowling Green—E. H. Rowe.

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Charlotteville—W. E. Edwards. Belmont and Rose Hill—J. D. Langley.

Albemarle—D. T. C. Dutts. Scottsville—L. T. Hite.

Batesville—J. W. Carroll. Nelson—R. W. Watts.

Rockfish—W. W. Ware. King and Queen—C. J. Jordan.

West Amherst—R. T. Clarke. Mount Pleasant—D. W. Reed.

Milton Mission—B. F. Smith. Fluvanna—N. J. Pruden.

Louisiana—L. B. Lane and J. F. Rhodes, superintendents.

Gordonsville—C. F. Comer. Orange—George A. Booker, Jr., and W. H. Camper, superintendents.

Greene—W. A. S. Conrad. Madison—G. F. Poole.

Woodville—R. G. James. Culpeper—Ernest Stevens.

Culpeper Circuit—M. A. Davidson. Rappahannock—Richard Ferguson.

Editor Richmond Christian Advocate—J. J. Lafferty.

President of Central Female Institute, Gordonsville, Va.—J. T. Payne.

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morial, J. C. Reed; Trinity, L. C. Shearer; South-Via and Pleasant, J. K. Clayton; Cabell-Street, G. W. Dyer; Madison-Station—J. J. Phaup. Bedford City—S. S. Lambeth. Bedford Circuit—Joseph W. Shackford. North Bedford—C. W. Leftwich. Bedford Springs—J. O. Moss. Middle Bedford—W. A. Tompkins. West Bedford—J. W. Heckman. Staunton-River—W. C. Pace. West Campbell—George H. Wiley. Campbell—George E. Hooker. Concord—W. G. Parrick. Appomattox—P. H. Bell. West Charlotte—W. T. Williams. Treasurer of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.—R. M. Saunders.

DANVILLE DISTRICT, W. P. WRIGHT, PRESIDENT.

Danville—Main and Floyd-Street, R. N. Sled and J. C. Harris; Cabell-Street, J. S. Sledge, J. O. Babcock; Mt. Vernon, J. T. Bosman; Calvary and Washington-Street, R. F. Gayle and H. W. Dunkley. Pittsylvania—J. H. Johnston. Chatham—J. B. Winn. Cascade—S. R. Dreyer. North Pittsylvania—T. E. Duke. Middle Staunton—W. E. supplied. Franklin—E. E. Harrell. East Franklin—O. L. Martin. Middle Franklin Mission—R. C. Garland. West Franklin—C. E. Blankenship. Henry—R. L. Wingfield. High-Street, E. T. Doughtam. Patrick—H. F. B. Martin. Meadows of Dan—J. B. Lavinder. South Boston and Houston—F. M. Edwards.

Hallfax—M. S. Elliott. East Halifax—W. T. A. Haynes. Professor in Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.—W. F. Tillet.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT, J. H. RICK, PRESIDENT.

Farmville—T. McN. Simpson. Prince Edward—A. L. Franklin. Prospect—Bascom Day. Charlotte—A. L. Sharpe.

West Buckingham—W. E. Grant. Cumberland—J. A. Sawyer. Amelia—E. V. Carson; W. W. Southall, superintendents.

Burkeville—J. L. Spencer. Crewe Station—J. T. Bouten. Blackstone—R. A. Compton.

Lunenburg—John O. Moss. High-Lunenburg—H. C. Clements. Mecklenburg—B. S. Herring.

North Mecklenburg—D. J. Traynham. Roanoke—W. E. Thompson. Chase City—W. W. Royal.

Clarksville—E. E. Carson. Brunswick—L. L. Carson. Hyco—R. H. Mullen.

President of Blackstone Female Institute—James Cannon, Jr.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT, T. H. CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT.

Petersburg—Washington-Street—George W. Wray; Market-Street, R. H. Wilson; High-Street, E. T. Doughtam; Wesley—W. W. Stiff; Blandford, R. E. Barrett; West-Street, W. R. Evans.

Ettick—R. B. Blankenship. Matine—E. W. Proctor. Dinwiddie—W. W. Turner.

East Dinwiddie—W. F. Jordan. Nottingham—J. R. Sturges.

Prince George—J. T. Moore. Wakefield—W. E. Allen.

Sussex—J. E. R. Riddick. Greenville—R. H. Younger.

South Brunswick—W. R. Smith. Brunswick—C. E. Hobb.

West Brunswick—T. B. DeBerry. Surry—J. L. Banks.

Associate Editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate—H. M. Hope.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT, JOSEPH HAMMIS, PRESIDENT.

Portsmouth—Monumental, L. B. Betty; Central—George H. Ray; Wright-Memorial, W. G. Boggs; Owens-Memorial, R. T. Waterfield; Park View, W. R. Proctor.

Norfolk Circuit—R. B. Beadles. Churchland—V. W. Barmann. Suffolk—W. T. Freeman.

East Suffolk and Magnolia—R. S. Baughan.

Windsor—J. A. Thomas. Ebenezer—D. B. Austin.

Isle of Wight—C. H. McGhee. Smithfield—J. K. Joliff.

Island—J. C. Watson. Newton—N. B. Pousheh.

Southampton—C. C. Wertenbacher. Boykins—M. S. Colonna.

Williamsville and Somerset—F. G. Davis. Hampton—J. T. Whaley.

West-End—W. H. Lamerth. Norfolk—W. R. Proctor.

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South Norfolk—C. D. Crawley; J. Proctor, superintendents.

General Superintendent of District, D. H. Oaklett and Gilmerton—J. W. Baker.

Lambert Point—G. H. Spooner. Haygood and Lynnhaven—A. A. Jones.

Princess Anne—S. F. Green. South Princess Anne—W. Nicholson.

East Princess Anne—R. R. Rutter. Chaplain to Seamen's Bethel—Joseph H. Merritt.

EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT, W. C. VADEN, PRESIDENT.

Capetown—J. Y. Bray. Franktown—N. H. Robertson.

Cherriton—J. E. White. Bell Haven—J. E. Whitmore.

Seller—J. C. Watson. Wachapreague—G. E. B. Smith.

Ponokeague—W. H. Gregory. Onancock—J. T. Taylor.

Onley—J. R. Giff. Accomack—W. G. Bates.

Highland—J. R. Giff. West Accomack—E. F. Garner.

Wicomico—C. H. Galloway. Berlin—E. L. Peerman.

Salisbury—R. H. Potts. Cambridge Station—R. M. Maxey.

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South Dorchester—J. D. Hosler. Cape Charles City—George W. Jones.

MAY HAVE TURNED PIRATES.

Anxiety About Sixteen Young Californians.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., November 25. A story comes from Honolulu that has caused much anxiety among the friends of the sixteen young men who recently sailed from this port on the schooner Apla, in search of treasure on the Solomon Islands.

The master of the little trading craft, now presumably cruising in the South seas, is Captain Sorrensen, who according to a record as a pirate and despoiler of the natives in the islands of the Central Pacific.

When the Sophia Sutherland reached Apla she was subjected to a searching scrutiny, during which the captain was identified as the man who had led a similar treasure-seeking expedition from Melbourne on the schooner Albert, which he soon transformed into a regular pirate.

In 1884 he was captured by the British man-of-war Dart, and sent to prison for man-of-war duty. Since then he had not been heard from, but now he is in virtual command of a company of Californians, who put faith in his stories of the fabulous wealth of the Solomon Islands.

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BISHOP LEO HAID.

HIS SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATED
AT ST. MARY'S.

CARDINAL GIBBONS AT CHARLOTTE.

He Goes Thence to Wilmington, N. C.,
Where He Will Be Entertained By
President Elliot, of the Atlantic-
Coast Line, and Colonel Kerchner.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., November 25.—The silver jubilee of Bishop Leo Haid, which has been in progress at St. Mary's Monastery, near this city, for two days, was concluded this evening. Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, who attended the celebration, and in whose honor a banquet was served to-day, is in Charlotte to-night, the guest of Dr. D. O'Donohue. He will leave in the morning for Wilmington, and will be entertained there at the home of President Elliot, of the Atlantic-Coast Line, on Wrightsville sound. He will be the guest of Colonel F. W. Kerchner, in Wilmington, until Monday, when he will return to Baltimore.

The celebration at St. Mary's was in honor of Bishop Haid's ordination to the priesthood, twenty-five years ago. There were many visitors, in addition to 100 Catholic dignitaries from various sections of the country.

Rev. Regis Canavan, of Pittsburgh, Pa., preached the sermon to-day, and pontifical high mass was celebrated in the Cathedral.

CORRETT AND FITZ TO MEET.

Will Sign Articles in Next Ten Days, Says W. J. Connor.

BUFFALO, N. Y., November 25.—The Express this morning publishes the following:

"Within ten days Corbett and Fitzsimmons will sign articles for another battle for the heavy-weight championship of the world."

"This positive statement was made last night by William J. Connor, one of the most trusted agents of James J. Corbett, and William A. Brady, who is Corbett's manager."

"This statement is made on the authority of a letter which I have just received from headquarters," said Mr. Connor, "and it is positive and certain. I could tell you the time and place where the principals and their managers will meet, but for certain reasons I am not at liberty to do so until I receive permission from Mr. Brady. Fitzsimmons is now in St. Louis and Corbett in New York, but they will get together within the time mentioned."

NEWS TO BRADY.

NEW YORK, November 25.—The Herald to-morrow will say: The published rumor that Corbett and Fitzsimmons had been matched within ten days was news to William A. Brady, the champion's manager. Brady said that he knew nothing of any such arrangement. Corbett, he added, is ready to make a match with Fitzsimmons at any time the latter may designate.

FITZ DENIES THE STORY.

LINCOLN, NEB., November 25.—Robert Fitzsimmons to-night denied the report sent out from Buffalo that there was a prospect of another fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett.

BLANTIER'S WIDOW FOUND.

She Wires Durrant That He Is an Innocent Man.

FORT WORTH, TEX., November 25.—The widow of Arthur Forbes alias Blantier, who was arrested at Meridian, Tex., charged with having murdered Mrs. Langfield in San Francisco, and who committed suicide in the Bosque county jail, has been located in this city by the police officials. Mr. Forbes says there is no doubt as to Forbes being the murderer of the San Francisco woman; that he often told her that he was well acquainted with Miss Wills, and that the Blanche Lamon, having been introduced to them by Theodore Durrant; that he often referred to the murders in such a manner that she is convinced that he knew of them. Mrs. Forbes, who is a widow, says that one of her trunks is in San Francisco, where it was used in evidence during Durrant's trial. She to-day wired Durrant as follows: "Have courage. I believe you to be an innocent man. If I can ever prove your innocence, command me."

THE PRESIDENT'S THANKSGIVING.

At Church in the Morning—White House Dinner Party.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 25.—President McKinley attended Thanksgiving services at the Metropolitan Methodist church to-day. He was accompanied by his brother, Mr. Abner McKinley; Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Barber. Mrs. McKinley and Mr. Abner McKinley were out driving for a short time during the day, and those who called came by appointment.

The President and Mrs. McKinley had as their guests, at dinner, the Vice-President, Mr. Hobart, Ensign and Mrs. Smith, the latter a daughter of the late President Hayes; Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, Mrs. Barber, and Master Garet Hobart.

MICHAEL DEFEATS STARBUCK.

He Wheels Twenty-five Miles in 50 Minutes, 20 to 1-5 Seconds.

NEW YORK, November 25.—Michael beat Starbuck at Madison-Square Garden to-night by thirty laps, in a distance of twenty-five miles. Time, 50 minutes 20 to 1-5 seconds.

This beats Michael's Chicago indoor record.

RACING IN ATLANTA.

ATLANTA, GA., November 25.—Charles Miller, of Chicago, won the twelve-hour race here to-day, covering 221 miles. M. A. Elliott, of Atlanta, came in second, one sixteenth of a mile behind the winner. Albert Schoch and Gaston Riviere were starters in the race, but it was too fast for them, and they both gave up early in the day.

BIG FIRE IN WASHINGTON.

Power Plant of Electric Lighting Co. Burning—City in Darkness.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 25.—The power-plant of the United States Electric Lighting Company is on fire. The lights in the greater portion of the city are out, and from present indications the building and machinery will be totally destroyed. No estimate of the loss can be made as yet.

Reforms for the Antilles.

MADRID, November 25.—The official gazette publishes this morning (Friday) two decrees signed by the Queen Regent and by Senator Sagasta, the Premier. The first decree applies to the Antilles the laws inscribed in the first chapter of the Spanish Constitution, with a guarantee of the application of all general laws.

The second decree extends to the Antilles the universal suffrage law of 1890.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure you. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Tommy Ryan Beats Australian Jim.

ELMIRA, N. Y., November 25.—Tommy Ryan knocked out Australian Jim Ryan in three rounds before the Maple Avenue Athletic Club to-night. The men were matched to fight twenty rounds at 154 pounds.

Tommy had things his own way, and the Australian was unable to land with any effect. Ex-Champion Paddy Ryan was referee.

"Rip Van Winkle" To-Night.

The third entertainment of the popular Young Men's Christian Association Star Course will be given to-night. Mr. Charles F. Underhill, the famous impersonator, presents the well-known play, "Rip Van Winkle," and it goes without saying that he will please the large audience that is already assured for the entertainment.

Personals and Briefs.

Miss Mary Johnson, of Charlottesville, is visiting friends at No. 608 east Leigh street.

There was no change yesterday in the condition of Mr. Andrew J. Berry. He is quite an ill man.

The managers of the Retreat for the Sick will hold their weekly meeting this morning at 11 o'clock.

Messrs. E. Willard and N. J. Read, of Baltimore, spent Thanksgiving with their sister, Mrs. Mammie McKenney.

The Athletic Association of Richmond College has decided to have the annual justification on the night of December 17th.

Mr. Walter Herman Ford and bride (nee Johnson), of Waverly, are the guests of Mr. John S. Pegram, 1217 west Main street.

Miss Mary Lewis, now teaching in the Central City, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Lewis, No. 608 east Leigh street.

Captain Frank W. Cunningham and Mr. H. Thurston Cardozo, who participated in the musical programme at the synagogue yesterday, were handsomely entertained after the services by the Jefferson Club.

The movement on the part of the Chamber of Commerce to employ the services of some one to give his entire time to looking after new industries in Richmond, seems to meet with popular favor. So far, the only name suggested for the position is that of Mr. William M. Coulting.

Two candidates for State offices are already on the scene. They being Dr. J. W. Lewis, of Amelia, who is prominently spoken of in connection with the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Senator H. S. Kane, of Scott county, whose name will be presented in connection with the position of Richmond Commissioner.